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NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE CONCERNING ORAL CROSS-EXAMINATION OF PITNEY BOWES, INC. WITNESS BRAND (September 8, 1998)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides notice that it does not plan, at the hearing scheduled on September 10, 1998 for market test rebuttal issues, to conduct oral cross-examination on the Rebuttal Testimony of Patrick Brand, filed by Pitney Bowes, Inc. on September 4, 1998. The Postal Service reserves the right to conduct follow-up oral cross-examination should a hearing be held on September 10, 1998. Moreover, the Postal Service reserves the right to request that witness Brand



¹ Postal Service counsel attempted to contact counsel for MASA in an effort to ascertain whether MASA intends to conduct any oral cross-examination of witness Brand. Unfortunately, that attempt proved unavailing, as of the time this pleading was completed.

appear for oral cross-examination during hearings to be scheduled on the experimental phase of this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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